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In re application of:

KAJIWARA, et al.

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For:

CHEMICAL MECHANICAL POLISHING APPARATUS AND METHOD HAVING A RETAINING RING WITH A CONTOURED

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Following is Applicants' response to the Restriction Requirement mailed 10 SEPTEMBER 2003. The response is accompanied by a petition for a one-month extension of time and the requisite fee. A response is therefore due 10 NOVEMBER 2003, making this a timely response. Please amend the application as indicated on the following pages, and consider the remarks herein. Enclosed is our check to cover the cost of added claims not already paid for. While Applicant believes that no further fees are due at this time, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due as a result of filing this amendment, including additional claims fees not already paid for, or other fees that have not been

separately paid, to Deposit Account 50-2319 (Order No. A-70092/RMA/JML (469090-14)).

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